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In Re the Application of:

PATAPOUTIAN et al.

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For: "METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR SELECTING STORAGE  
CAPACITY OF DATA STORAGE  
MEDIA" (as amended)

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Dear Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated June 15, 2004 (Paper No. 11). Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please note that the Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Please also note that the Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper. In addition, please note that the Remarks begin on page 21 of

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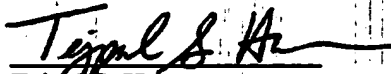
Applicants believe that no other fees are due. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2198 for any fees associated with filing this paper.

**VI. Conclusion**

Applicants believe that the application appears to be in form for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance thereof is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number regarding any matters relating to the present application.

Respectfully submitted,



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